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## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS AND ALL DEPARTMENTS HAVE ADMIRERS

QUANTITY AS WELL AS QUALITY RULES IN ALL DEPARTMENTS — RED CROSS PRESENTS EDUCATIONAL BOOTH

### BETTER FARM HOMES ADVOCATED

Exhibits at Fair Show That Ranchers Grow Flowers As Well As Food Products Educational Displays To Forefront Attract Visitors

There is a spirit of development manifest at the County Fair this year. Thru the activity of the Farm Bureau, the Red Cross and the educational exhibits is seen the advancement of the idea of better farm homes, and the interest taken in these exhibits shows that the effort is worth while.

What can be done in the home to make possible better care for the stock, how to generally improve the sanitation of the home and the health of the family is set forth in the Red Cross booth presided over by Miss Ethel Simmons, the Chapter nurse. The Farm Bureau at its booth is distributing literature of a general educational nature, while the flower displays in competition show that the ranchers grow fine flowers at their homes as well as good produce.

Educational booths are represented by the Red Cross, where Miss Ethel Simmons, Red Cross nurse is in charge and assisted by the paraphernalia incidental to a sick room gives talks on nursing and hygiene; by the Parent-Teacher's booth, where literature on subjects of particular interest to parents is open to the public; and by the Malheur County Farm booth where information is available on subjects dealing with agricultural development and better farm homes. Three large silver loving cups which have been won at former exhibits are on display here.

An educational exhibit open to those under sixteen has on display a ship made by Edgar Fortier, a cannon by an Adrian boy, some sketches by Robt. Troxel and an exhibit of seed from the Arcadian schools.

#### Flowers

This year's fair has the best flower exhibit in years. A great many varieties are shown with dahlias and

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## LEWISTON CLOTHIERS TO OPEN STORE HERE

C. J. Breier Co. Owners of 40 Stores in Idaho, Washington and Oregon — Add Ontario To List—Going To Nampa Too

Ontario is to have another men's clothing store. The new business firm is the C. J. Breier Co. of Lewiston, Idaho which now owns 40 stores in Idaho, Washington and Oregon, the stores are known as The Hub stores and have spread all over the Northwest during the past 20 years.

The local store will be under the management of M. Ashbaugh, formerly of Walla Walla who arrived here this week with his family to take charge of the work in preparation for opening the new institution on October 1. The store will be located in one of the T. H. Moore buildings formerly occupied by the Purity Bakery.

The Ontario store is the second of the company stores to come into southeastern Oregon, there being one now at Baker. The firm is also placing a new store at Nampa as part of its extension into this section of the Snake river valley. Besides the store at Baker there is one at La Grande, Pendleton, Walla Walla and all thru Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho.

Mr. Ashbaugh the manager of the Ontario store brought his wife and two children with him and will be joined by Mrs. Ashbaugh's mother, Mrs. M. L. Jones.

## GRANDSTAND SHOW IS STAGED BY LOCAL MEN

WALTER SHIMP, JESSE AND TUCK LAWRENCE, HARLIE McCULLOCH, DUTCH QUENDT AND OTHERS RIDE OUTLAWS

### NEW PONIES FACE STARTER

Bucking Horses Best Seen Here In Years—Cowboy Race on Wednesday Had More Than Twenty Starters—Ontario Day

Before the grandstand the wild west show of frontier days is entering the big crowd as of yore. Many new horses are on the track in the running events as well as in the harness program, while well known boys of the upper country as furnishing the thrills of the bucking contests.

Walter Shimp, himself one of the best riders ever seen at the county fair has furnished the horses used in the arena, and the boys declare that they are the best ever assembled on the local track. That they buck harder is attested too by the crowd. To pick out the best rider at this stage of the game would be unfair to the others for the contest is not over and many of the boys have a chance for the big money.

Vice President V. T. Herre of Vale is in charge of the show in front of the grandstand, and the assisted by an almost entirely new crew is getting the program off with a snap that is pleasing. On Tuesday the program dragged slightly for many reasons that could not be foreseen; but on Wednesday there was not an idle moment and the crowd liked it all the way.

One of the biggest events of the week was the half mile saddle race in which more than 20 men rode Wednesday afternoon and which was won by Mark Rutherford of Ontario and Malheur.

Among the new ponies on the track are: F. Buhl's, Idaho J; H. Hammond's, Tramp; F. Buhl's, Babe; T. T. Reddull's, Maggie May; Bill Rigg's, Primrose; J. E. Campbell's, Silver; J. Hemquay's, Bummer; J. Fleetwood's, Pat and W. M. Smith's, Daisy D.; Horn William's, Walter W.; Bert Jones', Ren. The Blentons have their string again, while Al Horn's Miss Antelope is remembered by those who have visited the track before.

Regular visitors at the Fair miss the Sage string and the Tunny string too. But the Watson string of relay horses is featuring and winning from the Blaise string.

Among the harness horses the old favorites; Johnson's Dr. McKay; F. S. Hurd's, Bob Minor; C. S. Clark's, Apasoo and J. W. Swank's, Nora Minor are running as of yore.

In the judges stand William Jones, C. R. Emison, H. M. Rutherford, and James Duncan all well known the serving again. Dr. W. H. Reynolds was the starter the first day, and C. R. Emison got the ponies off on Wednesday. Robert D. Lytle of Vale is the clerk of the course and Arthur Means, and Jess Milligan are judging the bucking contest.

The music for the first two days came from Weiser, Tuesday the boy's band, and Wednesday the Weiser Round-up Band; today and tomorrow the music will be furnished by the Emmett band.

### LOWER DEAD OX FLAT MEN BUSY ON RIGHT-OF-WAY

Sam Hill, pioneer of the lower Dead Ox, and one of the men in that section who has taken an active interest in prompting the construction of the Old Oregon Train across that region came to Ontario today to see the Fair and learn how much progress is being made from this end of the line toward getting right of way for the road. With E. J. Patch, Mr. Hill has already taken up the right of way question with the ranchers living on the lower end of the road, and written to those who do not live in that section but own property there. So far the spirit manifested by the owners is such that the right of way will be donated by many, or at least held at a very nominal figure, for the ranchers want the road.

## COMPLETE RAILROAD FROM CRANE SOUGHT

EUGENE MEN VISIT SOUTH EASTERN AND CENTRAL OREGON TO SECURE CO-OPERATION IN ROAD CAMPAIGN

### NEXT SPEAKER VISITS ONTARIO

Louis E. Bean, Next Leader of Lower House and Senator J. E. Bell Head Delegation—Believe Time Has Arrived For Action

For the purpose of getting personally acquainted with Central and South Eastern Oregon, to arouse a community of interest for the purpose of launching a campaign for the connecting up of the railroad systems east and west, and north and south in Central Oregon, a party of Eugene men reached Ontario Monday night.

In the party were Louis E. Bean, who will be the next speaker of the Oregon house of representative, Senator J. B. Bell, G. W. Griffin, Geo. H. McMoran and his son DeMott McMoran, all of Eugene. Mr. McMoran is also a director of the State Chamber of Commerce, which is also behind the propose campaign to tie up the railroad systems of the state.

"There is only one way in which the people of Oregon can secure action from the railroads," said Mr. Bean in speaking of the trip, "and that is by united action. We are in a position now to present our case to the railroads. The principle has been established that they have the right to make earnings on their investments; it has also been long established that as public service corporations they must serve the needs of the people.

"With the roads already built from Ontario to Craze, from The Dalea to Bend, from Klamath Lake northward several miles, practically all of the expensive construction work on the proposed system is completed. Both the Malheur and the Deschuetts canyons have been lined with steel. The rest of the construction is across level plateaus.

"Ultimately of course these roads will be built. But they should be built now. If Ontario, Craze, Burns, Bend Klamath and the other towns interested will unite and the State Chamber will get behind the movement, as we know it will, we can certainly present a far more convincing argument to the railroad financiers."

Incidentally while in the city Mr. Deal, who is leader in the next House will have a great deal to do with the moulding of legislation, centered with P. J. Gallagher, representative from Malheur, and Harney counties on the needs of this section. He got information concerning the road work in this section and the hopes and aspirations for further work.

While here, too, the delegation was taken by Mr. Gallagher over the Boulevard to Nyssa to view the results of irrigation in this section, and to be further educated on the possibilities of this section they were taken to the County Fair to see the exhibits there on display.

No delegation of Western Oregon men were ever entertained here were more enthusiastic over the possibilities of this section or who declared that the trip had been a greater revelation to them.

From here the Eugene men went on to Baker and La Grande and plan to be in Pendleton to see the Round Up finale.

### WOMEN LINGER LONG BEFORE WONDERFUL SEWING EXHIBIT

The women of Malheur county can certainly sew if the exhibit of needlework at the fair is any criterion. Most complimentary comments are heard from everyone visiting this booth, which is full of exquisite pieces of embroidery, crochet, knitting and quilting apparently. The art of fine handwork did not pass away with our grandmothers. It would be impossible to describe each individual piece.

The women of the county can also cook as the exhibit of baked goods testifies. This exhibit is better for quantity and variety than in former years.

## FIVE COMMUNITIES STAGE GREAT CONTEST FOR FAIR HONORS

BALLOON ESTRAY; CARNIVAL BROKE; AIRMAN BREAKS WORD

In staging the Fair this year the board and its officials had more than their share of troubles; especially of that nature which could not be foreseen nor avoided. First the airman who was here in Ontario last week for several days signed up a contract and then told the board that he would go to nearby towns for exhibition flights and return in time for the fair. He never came back.

Next the balloon man arrived here Monday with the pole and guylines for setting up his gas bag; but the bag went astray. It got lost enroute.

To add to the difficulties the carnival company contracted for went broke at Wapato, Washington and of course did not show; in fact it did not even send the officials of the fair word.

Then the weather man has not been kind, and sent rain that was not needed for the fair at all; but then it has been a good show anyway. The folks came from near and far. The exhibits were good, the program before the grandstand entertaining and all in all the Fair Board has earned the approbation of every citizen of Malheur county.

## NYSSA MEN AND WOMEN HURT IN AUTO SMASH

H. M. Bostick Driving Car At Excessive Speed Turns Car Turtle—Telephone Pole Smashed—Five Passengers Injured

His pride injured because a Ford passed him, H. M. Bostick of Nyssa, stepped on the accelerator of his Essex, yesterday afternoon, and sent the car forward at a 40 mile clip. A half hour later his four passengers were in the office of Drs. Weese & Fortner taking an inventory of their injuries. The Essex lay on the roadside a wreck; a telephone pole was smashed, and a fine day at the fair was denied Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pickereil, Mrs. Robert Pickereil and Mrs. H. C. Garman all of Nyssa. Mr. Bostick himself was slightly injured, too.

The examination of the victims of Mr. Bostick's pride had not been completed when an Argus man interviewed Mr. and Mrs. Pickereil, who were still somewhat dazed and admitted they could not tell just what did happen.

"A Ford passed us," said Mr. Pickereil, "and Mr. Bostick speeded up to pass it. That is the last I know of what occurred."

"He was going forty miles an hour," interrupted Mrs. Robert Pickereil. "And when I got up," she continued, "there was a telephone pole broken off beside us. The car was wrecked, and was hanging on the ditch bank. We were less than a foot from going into the irrigation ditch."

Mr. Pickereil was injured about the shoulders. Mrs. Charles Pickereil was badly cut about the chin and bruised over her body. Mrs. Robert Pickereil was also cut on the chin and badly shaken up. Mrs. Garman was apparently the most seriously injured, the not cut. She appeared suffered a fractured arm.

Bostick was injured about the shoulder, but otherwise escaped. The car turned turtle, and struck the telephone pole after leaving the road, that none of the occupants were killed was little less than miraculous. As nearly as they could tell Mr. and Mrs. Pickereil believed the accident occurred about two miles west of Ontario.

The party in the Ford which Mr. Bostick tried to pass brought the injured people into Ontario.

If its news you want read The Argus.

EXHIBITION HALL NEVER BETTER SET FOR DISPLAY OF PRODUCTS OF MALHEUR COUNTY'S RESOURCES

### GRAIN DISPLAYS ARE ABUNDANT

Flowers Lend Color to Picture—Garden Contests Indicate People Awake To Home Beautiful Program—Gives Variety To Show

That the directors of the Malheur County Fair have succeeded as never before in getting the co-operation of the outside communities in the annual exposition is adequately proven by the wonderful displays on exhibit at the Main building. This is the one big outstanding fact of the eleventh annual Malheur County Fair.

This interest is manifest in the spirited contest for community honors in which five communities are striving for the honor of being the most advanced region in the county, so far as variety and quality of products are concerned.

In this race Nyssa, Adrian, Dead Ox Flat, The Boulevard and Bonita are the contestants. It is the first time that Bonita has shown and this indicates that the interest in the Fair has spread over the county.

Dead Ox Flat too is in the race this time, as well as Nyssa, which returns after a lay-off of two years, while Adrian the faithful contestant of years is again striving for honors, and the Boulevard is giving them all a real race.

Descriptive adjectives fail in giving an adequate record of what the directors have accomplished in this exhibit. The only way to appreciate what has been done is to go to the grounds and see, the following brief description tells what the various communities have specialized on in their display:

#### Nyssa

Nyssa has a wonderful exhibit in— (Continued on Last Page.)

## ONTARIO MAN NAMED ON EXECUTIVE BOARD

Western States Reclamation Conference Honors P. J. Gallagher—New Day In Reclamation Development Seen

Representative P. J. Gallagher returned Sunday from Seattle where he attended the meeting of the Western States Reclamation conference, and is enthusiastic over the prospects for reclamation development thru more favorable federal legislation.

"No longer will the states of the West each strive for its particular projects," said Mr. Gallagher, "from now on a definite and complete program for reclamation will be sought. At the same time thru a committee work will be started to codify all the irrigation laws of the western states and bring them into uniformity, so far as possible.

"With the backing of the American Legion for the reclamation program it is to be the plan to get behind the Smith-Fletcher bill and get action in the coming Congress and to make possible the reclamation of thousands of acres of irrigable lands. Under this plan it is confidently believed that the greatest reclamation progress the west has ever known will result. Certainly never before have the states of the west been so well united on any definite program."

In selecting the vice presidents of permanent board of directors for the conference the Oregon delegation named the following four for Oregon: P. J. Gallagher, Ontario; A. A. Smith, Baker; Fred Wallace, Tumalo; and William Boise, Portland.

During the conference the Oregon law, known as the Gallagher law of which Mr. Gallagher is the author and by which the state guarantees the interest on approved irrigation bonds, was discussed at length and approved for uniform adoption by other delegations and the conference as a whole.